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Enclosed for the Examiner's convenience is a copy of the forms PCT/IPEA/409, etc. issued in corresponding International Application No. PCT/JP97/00677.

As the Examiner will appreciate, all of the documents cited therein have been brought to the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office in this application, e.g. in the Information Disclosure Statements dated March 5, 1997 and February 5, 1998.

Entry hereof is respectfully requested.

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